

**MINUTES OF THE FLORENCE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2012, AT 6:00 P.M., IN THE CHAMBERS OF TOWN HALL, LOCATED AT 775 NORTH MAIN STREET, FLORENCE, ARIZONA.**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Vice-Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present: Smith, Woolridge, Celaya, Raasch, Hawkins, Brown**

**Absent: Kilvinger**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Hawkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

**Call to the Public for public comment on issues within the jurisdiction of the Town Council. Council rules limit public comment to three minutes. Individual Councilmembers may respond to criticism made by those commenting, may ask staff to review a matter raised or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of Council shall not discuss or take action on any matter during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.**

Mr. John Anderson, 2631 N. Presidential Drive, Florence, Arizona, said that he is up for re-appointment on the Planning and Zoning Commission. He said it has been a controversial year for the Commission. He enjoys serving on the Commission and working with Council and Staff. He appreciates the Council's consideration.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND PRESENTATIONS**

**Public Hearing on Barclay Annexation, Annexation No. 2011-01, this annexation consists of 160 acres located directly east of the Gila River Indian Community, west of Walker Granite Road, and Hunt Highway intersects the property's northeast quadrant.**

Mr. Mark Eckhoff, Community Development Director, stated that following:

- Barclay annexation is 160 acres
- Brief description of the location
- Discussion for a few years for this annexation
- Necessity for annexation
  - o Strategy
  - o Potential for commercial development.
- Will allow for the final completion of annexing State Land (Lookout Mountain II)
- Gave a brief outline of the steps involved in annexing State Land and how it has been annexed.
- There is one more piece of State Land that is to be annexed.

Councilmember Brown inquired about the time element in obtaining the signatures from the land owners for the annexation.

Mr. Eckhoff said that it would take 3-5 months for the owners to respond. He suspects that the land owners will want to do some type of development agreement to ensure that they will be allowed to do what they were allowed to do when they were with the County. He said with regards with Fry's, they have construction plans, and they will want to ensure that they do not lose any rights that they had with Pinal County. Mr. Eckhoff said the statutes allow for one year.

Vice-Mayor Smith opened the Public Hearing. There were no public comments. Vice-Mayor Smith closed the Public Hearing.

**CONSENT: All items indicated by an (\*) will be handled by a single vote as part of the consent agenda, unless a Councilmember or a member of the public objects at the time the agenda item is called.**

**\*Acceptance of a Resolution from the Arizona State Parks Board thanking the Town of Florence for collaborating to keep McFarland State Historic Park open.**

**\*Ratification of a favorable recommendation sent to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control regarding the Florence Gardens Mobile Home Association's application for a Special Event Liquor License for January 10, 2012 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

**\*Authorization to forward a favorable recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control regarding the Coolidge-Florence Elks Lodge #2350's application for a Special Event Liquor License for February 12, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. as part of the 2012 Motorcycle Rally.**

**\*Acceptance of James Tchida's resignation from the Planning and Zoning Commission.**

**\*Resolution No. 1327-12:**

Ms. Lisa Garcia, Deputy Town Manager/Town Clerk, read Resolution No. 1327-12 by title only.

**Adoption of A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, DECLARING AS A PUBLIC RECORD A CERTAIN DOCUMENT FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK ENTITLED THE "2006 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE".**

**\*Ordinance No. 569-12:**

Ms. Lisa Garcia, Deputy Town Manager/Town Clerk, read Ordinance No. 569-12 by title only.

**First Reading of AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, ADOPTING THE "2006 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE" WITH ALL APPENDICES.**

**\*Approval of the November 7, November 21, December 5, and December 19, 2011 Town Council meeting minutes.**

**\*Receive and file the following Board and Commission meeting minutes:  
April 26, 2011 Redevelopment Commission Minutes**

On motion of Councilmember Raasch, seconded by Councilmember Woolridge and carried to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as submitted.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of the following board and commission appointments:**

**Appoint Thomas "Tom" Madden to the Historic District Advisory Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2014.**

**Appoint Denise Kollert to the Library Advisory Board with a term to expire December 31, 2013.**

**Appoint John L. Anderson and Jeffrey Wooley to the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2014.**

On motion of Councilmember Raasch, seconded by Councilmember Hawkins and carried to approve all appointments.

**CALL TO THE COUNCIL**

Councilmember wishes everyone a joyous a prosperous New Year.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Hawkins and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

  
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Tom Smith, Vice-Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Lisa Garcia, Town Clerk

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Florence Town Council meeting held on January 3, 2012, and that the meeting was duly called to order and that a quorum was present.



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Lisa Garcia, Town Clerk